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1. (Thrice Amended) A method for identifying a gardening material comprising:
- querying a user for at least one geographic region;
- receiving the at least one geographic region from the user;
- querying the user for the location of a gardening problem within said geographic

region;

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querying database and generating a series of questions in response to the received
at least one gardening problem;
receiving a response to the series of questions from the user;
B1 querying the database and identifying at least one gardening material based upon
a response to at least one of the querying.

2. (Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

offering the user the opportunity to purchase the at least one gardening material.

3. (Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of displaying a
label associated with the gardening material to the user.

4. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the at least one gardening material is
identified based at least partially upon the user's response to the querying directed toward the
geographic region.

5. (Amended) The method of claim 4, further comprising the step of displaying a
label associated with the gardening material to the user, wherein the label varies depending upon
the geographic region.

6. (Amended) The method of claim 5, wherein the label is a material safety data
sheet.

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7. (Amended) The method of claim 5, wherein the label is a label applied to the gardening material for retail sales.

31 8. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the querying a user for at least one geographic region is directed toward the user's geographic region and at least one gardening material is identified based at least partially upon the user's geographic region.

9. (Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:
presenting the user with at least one query directed toward the symptoms of a problem observed by the user; and
identifying a pest based at least partially upon the user's responses to the inquiry.

10. (Amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the pest is one of insects, fungi, nematodes, snails, slugs, weeds and diseases.

11. (Amended) The method of claim 1, where the gardening material is one of: pesticides, fertilizers and seeds.

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12. (Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of displaying a list of retailers from which the gardening material is available.

13. (Amended) A system for identifying a gardening material, the system comprising:

a storage device for storing a database of gardening material;

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a user input/output device; and

a processor connected to the storage device and the user input/output device, the processor being configured to perform the steps of:

presenting a user with at least one inquiry via the user input/output device;

identifying at least one gardening material based upon a response to said inquiry;

wherein at least one inquiry is directed toward the user's geographic region and the at least one gardening material is identified based at least partially upon the user's geographic region.

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14. (Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein the user input/output device comprising a computer including an Internet browser and the user input/output device is connected to the processor at least partially through the Internet.

15. (Amended) The system of claim 13, where the processor is further configured to perform the step of:

offering the user the opportunity to purchase the at least one gardening material.

16. (Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein the processor is further configured to perform the step of displaying a label associated with the gardening material to the user.

17. The system of Claim 13, wherein at least one inquiry is directed toward the user's state and the at least one gardening material is identified based at least partially upon the user's response to the inquiry directed toward the user's state.

18. (Amended) The system of claim 13, further comprising the step of displaying a label associated with the gardening material to the user, wherein the label varies depending upon the user's response to the inquiry directed toward the user's geographic region.

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§ 19. (Amended) The system of claim 18, wherein the label is a material safety data sheet.

20. (Amended) The system of claim 18, wherein the label is a label applied to the gardening material for retail sales.

21. (Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein at least one inquiry is directed toward the user's geographic region at least one gardening material is identified based at least partially upon the user's response to the inquiry directed toward the user's geographic region.

✓ 22. (Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein the processor is further configured to perform the steps of:
presenting the user with at least one inquiry directed toward the symptoms of a problem observed by the user; and
identifying a pest based upon the user's responses to the inquiries.

23. (Amended) The system of claim 22, wherein the pest is one of insects, fungi, nematodes, snails, slugs, weeds, and diseases.

24. (Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein the gardening material is one of pesticides, fertilizers, and seeds.

25. (Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein the processor is further configured
NL to perform the step of displaying a list of dealers from which the gardening material is available.

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--26. (Added) A method for identifying a garden material comprising:

querying a user for a geographic region in which the garden material is to be

utilized;

receiving the geographic region from the user;

querying the user for an object affected by the gardening problem, wherein the object affected by the gardening problem includes at least one of flowers, vegetables, lawn, fruits, trees/shrubs, pets, homes, and pools/spas;

receiving the object affected by the gardening problem from the user;

querying the user for a type of gardening problem, wherein the type of garden problem includes at least one of pests, fertilizer need, and information pertaining to seeds;

receiving the type of gardening problem from the user;

determining whether the type of gardening problem is a pest problem, fertilizer need problem, or information pertaining to seeds; and

generating a list of products based partially upon the geographic region.

--27. (Added) The method for identifying a garden material of claim 26, further comprising:

after generating the list of products, querying the user for a product label display;

determining whether the product label display is desired;

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displaying the product label display by geographic region when the product label display is desired;

querying the user for product purchase;

determining whether the product purchase is desired;

adding product to purchase list when desired;

determining whether a dealer location is needed, when dealer location is needed

displaying the dealer location;

querying user for additional problems; and

23 determining whether additional problems exist, when no additional problems exist performing the checkout process.--

--28. (Added) The method of claim 1, wherein the geographic region further comprises a state.--

--29. (Added) The system of claim 13, wherein the geographic region further comprises a state.--

--30. (Added) The method of claim 26, wherein the geographic region further comprises a state.--